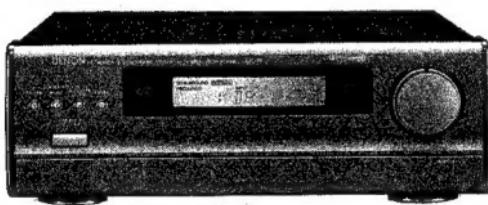


DENON

Hi-Fi AV Surround Amplifier

MODEL AVC-77

AV SURROUND AMPLIFIER



NIPPON COLUMBIA CO., LTD.

SPECIFICATIONS

• Audio section

Rated maximum output
(All properties shown are
only for the power
amplifier stage.)

Frequency response

Rated input/input impedance

S/N ratio

Speaker impedance

LINE Input sensitivity/impedance

CENTER (Center 1ch driven)

30 W (8 Ω/ohms, 1 kHz with 1.0% THD)

REAR (rear 2ch driven)

15 W + 15 W (8 Ω/ohms, 1 kHz with 1.0% THD)

40 Hz to 20 kHz ±3 dB

150 mV/47 kΩ/ohms

90 dB

Center: 8 Ω/ohms

Rear: 8 Ω/ohms

150 mV/47 kΩ/ohms

• Video section

Input and output level/impedance

1 Vp-p/75 Ω/ohms

2 Hz to 8 MHz +0, -3 dB

• General

Power source

AC 230 V, 50 Hz

Power consumption

135 W

Maximum external dimensions

270 (W) × 96 (H) × 313 (D) mm

(10-5/8" × 3-25/32" × 12-21/64")

4.7 kg (10 lbs 6 oz)

Weight

• Remote control unit (RC-17B)

Infrared pulse

Remote control system

15

Number of buttons

Two DC 1.5V R6P/AA batteries

Power supply

48 (W) × 175 (H) × 18 (D) mm

Maximum external dimensions

(1-57/64" × 6-57/64" × 45/64")

Weight

120g (including batteries) (Approx. 4 oz)

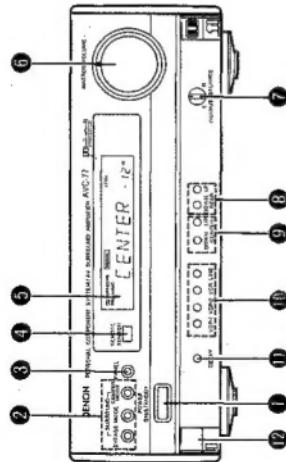
* Maximum dimensions include controls, jacks, and covers.

(W) = width, (H) = height, (D) = depth

* Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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2 NAMES OF PARTS/BEZEICHNUNG DER TEILE/NOMENCLATURE
 (Front Panel/Frontplatte/Panneau avant)



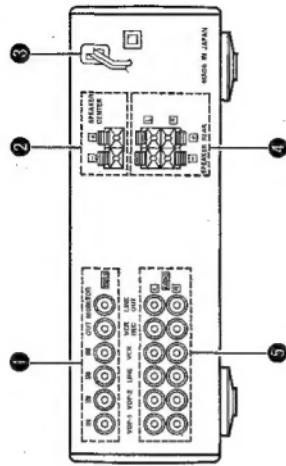
FOR ENGLISH READERS

- ① POWER button
- ② SURROUND select button
- ③ REAR CENTER button
- ④ REAR CONTROL SENSOR
- ⑤ MINI/MAXI button (Surround Select)
- ⑥ MASTER VOLUME control
- ⑦ CENTER BALANCE control
- ⑧ REAR/TREBLE (Post for Master Gain)
- ⑨ CENTER/TREBLE (Post for Master Gain)
- ⑩ FUNCTION button
- ⑪ CENTER channel level button
- ⑫ DELAY TIME button
- ⑬ Trip door

POUR LES LECTEURS FRANÇAIS

- TOUche POWER (alimentation)
- TOUche de SELECT SURROUNDO (surveillance)
- TOUche REAR CENTER
- TOUche REAR CONTROL SENSOR (detecteur de télécom- mande)
- TOUche MINI/MAXI (SELECT SURROUNDO)
- TOUche COMMANDE MASTER VOLUME (volume de la gamme entière)
- TOUche COMMANDE SURROUND BALANCE (rééquilibrage de son)
- TOUche CENTER (volume de canal arrière)
- TOUche CENTER/TREBLE (volume de canal central)
- TOUche FUNCTION (fonction)
- TOUche DELAY TIME (temps de retard)
- TOUche TRIP DOOR

(Rear Panel/Rückseite/Panneau arrière)



FOR ENGLISH READERS

- ① VIDEO INPUT/OUTPUT (Video)
- ② CENTER channel speaker terminals
- ③ AC cord (with plug)
- ④ REAR channel speaker terminals
- ⑤ AUDIO INPUT/OUTPUT (audio)

POUR LES LECTEURS FRANÇAIS

- ① Prise VIDEO INPUT/OUTPUT (entrée/sortie vidéo)
- ② Bornes du haut-parleur CENTER (haut-parleur central)
- ③ Cordon secteur avec fiche
- ④ Bornes d'encaissement REAR (haut-parleur arrière)
- ⑤ Prise AUDIO INPUT/OUTPUT (entrée/sortie audio)

FÜR DEUTSCHE LÄSER

- ① POWER-Taste (Netz)
- ② SURROUND-Wechseltaste (Surround)
- ③ REAR-CENTER-Taste (Netzwechselrichter)
- ④ REAR-CONTROL-SENSOR (Fernbedienungsempfänger)
- ⑤ MINI-MAXI-Taste (Surround-Select)
- ⑥ MASTER-VOLUME-Knopf (Drehregler)
- ⑦ CENTER-BALANCE-Knopf (Ausgleichsbalancer)
- ⑧ REAR-Taste (Post für Hinteren Kanal)
- ⑨ CENTER-Taste (Post für Mitteren Kanal)
- ⑩ FUNCTION-Taste (Funktion)
- ⑪ DELAY-TIME-Taste (Verzögerungstaste)
- ⑫ Klappe

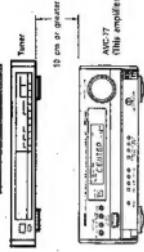
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- ② CENTER channel speaker terminals
- ③ AC cord (with plug)
- ④ REAR channel speaker terminals
- ⑤ AUDIO INPUT/OUTPUT (audio)
- ⑥ REAR IN/OUT (für Fernsteuerung)
- ⑦ AC IN/OUT (für Fernsteuerung)

- Read this manual carefully to ensure that you take full advantage of all the features of this surround amplifier. Keep the manual in a safe place for future reference.
- Be sure to check that the date of purchase and the store's name of purchase have been filled in properly on the warranty issued at your store of purchase.

1 INSTALLATION PRECAUTIONS

Using this amplifier or other electronic equipment containing microprocessors simultaneously with a stereo or TV may cause interference in the equipment. If this should happen, take the following steps:

- Install the amplifier or TV as far as possible from the amplifier's power cord and connection cables.
- Keep the antenna lines of the tuner or TV as far as possible from the amplifier's power cord and connection cables.
- This problem is especially frequent when using indoor antennas or 300 Q indoor feeder lines. We recommend using outdoor antennas and 75 Q coaxial cables.
- If this should happen, turn down the **MASTER VOLUME** control.



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3 BEFORE USING

Read the following cautions carefully before using the amplifier.

- Before using the unit, make sure that the power cord and connection cables are connected to the correct AC power source. Be sure to connect the power cord to the audio unit before moving the amplifier to prevent damage or short-circuiting the cords.
- Before turning on the power switch, check again to make sure that all connections are correct and that there are no problems with the connection cords. Be sure to turn the power **STANDBY** before disconnecting or connecting cords.

4 HANDBLING PRECAUTIONS

Switching the Input Jacks

Switching the input function when the input jacks are disconnected switching the input function when the component is not connected may result in a generation of click noise. If this should happen, turn down the **MASTER VOLUME** or connect a component to the input jacks.

Playback with Dolby Pro Logic

The Dolby Pro Logic position provides optimum effectiveness for sources recorded with Dolby Surround. A different surround mode should be selected when playing back sources other than this type. Note in particular that when playing back monaural recording sources, the bypass mode or the simulated mode should be used. Other modes will not provide a suitable effect.

Muting the LINE OUT Jacks

An electronic circuit that has been connected to the LINE OUT jacks. This circuit greatly attenuates the output signal for approximately 8 seconds after the power has been switched on. Raising the volume during this duration will result in an extremely large output once the muting has ended, so volume adjustments should be made only after the completion of muting.

Muting in the surround mode

The rear level will seem small for sources other than Dolby Surround sources. The reason for this is that the playback signal is not contained in the software. When playing back such software with a surround function, the mode should be set to something other than Dolby Pro Logic surround. The rear output level may seem small for software having a small rear signal, even Dolby Surround sources.

Opening and closing the door

This amplifier is equipped with a door on the front panel. Press the "PUSH OPEN/CLOSE" button printed on the upper right edge of the door to release and open the door. Likewise, to close the door, press the door in the same manner until it click sound is heard.

NOTE:
The door will open naturally once it has been released, but it may stop before fully opening. This is not a fault; just lightly push the door open.

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6 CONNECTIONS

Connecting video decks (VCR)

Connections for video input and output:

Connecting video decks: video output jack to the amplifier's VIDEO INPUT jack using a 75 Ω (75 Q) coaxial cable; video input jack to the video deck's video input jack and to the amplifier's VCR OUT jack using 75 Ω (75 Q) coaxial cable pin-plug cords.

Connecting the audio input and output jacks

• Connect the video deck's audio output jacks to the amplifier's AUDIO IN jacks and the video deck's audio input jacks to the amplifier's AUDIO OUT jacks using pin-plug cords.

Connecting a video disc player (VDP)

• Connect the video disc player's video output jack to the amplifier's VIDEO VDP (yellow) jack using a 75 Ω (75 Q) coaxial cable pin-plug cord.

• Connect the video disc player's analog audio output jacks to the amplifier's AUDIO VDP INPUT jacks using pin-plug cords.

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Connecting a monitor (TV)

• Connect the TV video input jack to the amplifier's VIDEO OUT jack using a 75 Ω (75 Q) coaxial video cable pin-plug cord.

75 Ω (75 Q) coaxial video cable pin-plug cord

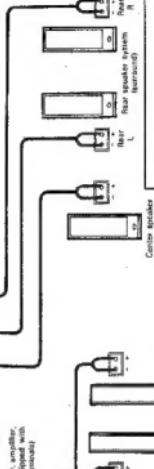
Connecting the speaker system

• A total of three speakers can be connected to the AVC-77, including the pair of rear speakers and one center speaker. Make sure that the polarities are correct, making sure that the polarities are inverted (G with \ominus and \oplus with \ominus). Minimum spacing of speakers will result in a better sound field. Maximum distance between speakers and the receiver is 10 feet (3 m).

• When making the connections, take care that the speaker cords connect with adjacent terminals. If the speaker cords connect with adjacent terminals, the speaker will not work, and will be in a short circuit.

Speaker Impedance

• The speakers B & D should be connected in series with an inductor with an inductance value of 0.1 mH. This range may prevent the protection circuit and cause a buzz/noise.



Connecting the speaker system

The speaker system consists of two front speakers, one center speaker, and two rear speakers.

Front speakers

Center speaker

Rear speakers

① Press the terminal off the tip of the cord.

② Turn the connector.

③ Press down the lever of the speaker terminal with your finger.

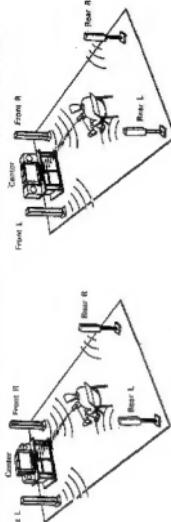
④ Insert the lever of the cord into the speaker terminal.

When volume power finger...

Press, then...
lever cord and remove.

7 DOLBY PRO LOGIC SURROUND

- Speaker placement in Dolby Pro Logic surround mode While playing back music in Dolby Pro Logic surround, use of a center speaker will provide the best effect.

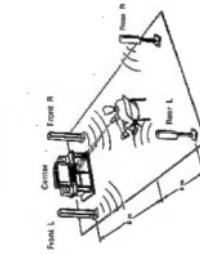


Wide mode

Wide mode: This is the base mode to use when the center channel speaker is of the same grade as the speakers on the right and left. The same frequency band from low to high, is output to the center channel playback speaker, giving an exciting sound field for your enjoyment.

Normal mode

Normal mode: This is the best mode to use if the center channel is smaller than the speakers on the left and right. Signals of 100Hz or below, which has almost no effect on orientation, are divided between the left and right channels, and the center channel outputs signals of 100 Hz or more, to the bass on the left and right channels is designed.



Phantom mode

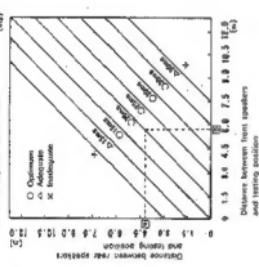
Phantom mode: This is the mode to use when the center channel playback speaker is not in use. The phantom mode emphasizes electronically generated left and right channel signals to create the phantom sound effect, so that you can enjoy a surround sound field even without using the center speaker.

The On/Off and delay time setting for the speaker output (FRONT, REAR, CENTER) and the volume adjustment for each speaker can be set individually for each surround mode.

- Setting delay time**
The optimum delay time depends on the following position: At the origin, one meter right and set the distance to the size of your room and your listening position.

For example, if your listening position is 6 m away from the front speakers, and 4 m away from the rear speakers, the optimum delay time will be 20 msec. The variation range of the delay time differs from one mode to another. For more information on the delay time variation range, see page 7.

- Adjusting the input balance**
This amplifier is equipped with an auto input balance control, so there is no input balance adjustment knob.



In normal and wide mode the test tone switches in the following order:
Front Left → Center → Front Right → Rear →

Adjust this volume balance using this signal until the optimum balance is reached.
In phantom mode the switching is as follows:
Front Left → Front Right → Rear →

Note that on this amplifier, the test tone is produced every 4 seconds after the first 2 seconds.
• **Test tone**
The test tone produces a test signal for adjusting the level in each channel in the Dolby Pro Logic surround mode. Before using Dolby Pro Logic surround, position the speakers as described above, find the ideal balance position for the volume of each speaker during the test tone, and set the volume etc. so that they sound as if they are at the same level.

Use the remote control unit (RC-178) to make adjustments using the test tone.

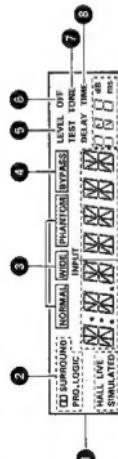
PART NAMES AND FUNCTIONS

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Explanation of the LCD

Examples of Multi Function Display Patterns

The displayed modes indicate the operations performed when the buttons on the front panel of the AVC-7 or on the remote control unit (RC-770) are operated.



1. Multi function display
The source is displayed in order each time the POWER button is pressed. Normal, surround mode setting is displayed.

2. SURROUND PRO LOGIC indicator
This is displayed when a Dolby Surround Pro Logic mode is selected with the SURROUND MODE button.

3. NORMAL, PHANTOM, and WIDE indicators
These light in the following order:
NORMAL → PHANTOM → WIDE

4. BYPASS indicator
This light when a surround circuit is bypassed by pressing the SURROUND BYPASS button.

5. LEVEL indicator
This light when section ② when the REAR and CENTER UP and DOWN buttons are pressed. Add on the level with the UP and DOWN buttons while watching the display in section ②.

6. OFF indicator
This light when the standby mode is set by turning off the POWER switch.

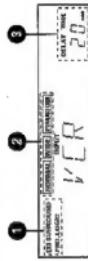
7. TEST TONE indicator
This light when the TEST TONE button is pressed.
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Refer to page 10 for details.

8. DELAY TIME indicator
This light along with section ② when in the surround mode for the DELAY button to set the delay time.

9. DOLBY PRO LOGIC indicator
Displayed in Surround mode
From 5ms to 20ms.

10. HALL and SIMULATED indicator
Displayed in Surround mode
From 5ms to 20ms.

11. Level indicator
From 40 to 100.



1. Surround mode status
① Dolby Pro Logic indicator
② SURROUND PRO LOGIC indicator
Press the DD CENTER MODE button:
③ NORMAL, PHANTOM, or WIDE
④ DELAY TIME — Displayed in 5ms steps from 1ms to 20ms.

⑤ Other surround modes
⑥ The surround mode is displayed as follows:
⑦ HALL or SIMULATED — Displayed in 5ms steps from 5ms to 20ms.
CINEMA — Fixed at 0ms.

⑧ BYPASS indicator
⑨ Displayed in the bypass mode.

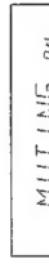
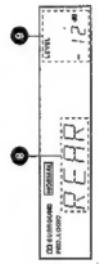
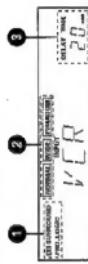
⑩ CENTER LEVEL display
⑪ Displayed when CENTER UP or DOWN button is pressed.
⑫ Displayed in steps of 0.25s from -40dB (minimum) to 0dB (maximum).

⑬ CENTER LEVEL display
⑭ Displayed when REAR UP or DOWN button is pressed.
⑮ Displayed in steps of 0.25s from -40dB (minimum) to 0dB (maximum).

⑯ INPUT indicator
⑰ The function selected with the input selector button is displayed.

⑱ REAR LEVEL display
⑲ Displayed when REAR UP or DOWN button is pressed.
⑳ Displayed in steps of 0.25s from -40dB (minimum) to 0dB (maximum).

⑳ MUTING display
⑳ This appears when the POWER switch is turned off.
⑳ MUTING — flashes until the muting circuit turns off.



DOLBY PRO LOGIC	Displayed in Surround mode From 5ms to 20ms.
HALL and SIMULATED	Displayed in Surround mode From 5ms to 20ms.

LINE	Fixed at 0ms.
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9 OPERATION

11. *Protein source preference*

REFLECTIONS FOR STUDENTS

1. **Checking connections.**
 - Check the connection diagrams (figs 5 to 10), and make sure that all connections are correct.
 - Check that the left and right speaker systems, and the pickups (fig. 6), are matched correctly.
 - Check that the pickup settings are correctly property.
 - Check that the cables are securely plugged in.
 - Check that all cables are securely plugged in.
 - Check that the cables used are of the correct type.
2. **Checking all touch positions.**
 - Put the MASTER VOLUME control in the 0 position (no volume), and press the touch keys as well as the volume control.
 - Set the OUTPUT BALANCE control touch (the reference position).

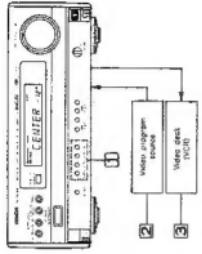
After making these checks, turn on the power by pressing the POWER switch.

Note on operations carried out during playback
If the FUNCTION buttons or other buttons are operated during playback, the sound will be interrupted. This is due to the activation of the muting circuit which prevents the generation of noise during switching. It is not a malfunction.

Protection circuit ("PROTECTION" display lights)

This answer has a built-in speech processor circuit. The primary of this circuit is to prevent the thermal circuit being damaged by the large currents which flow through the primary of the ST1 when output is sent to a poorly disconnected or short-circuited speaker terminal. When the protection circuit is activated, the speaker output is automatically cut off, and the message "PROJECTION" is displayed. If this should happen, be sure to unplug the amplifier power cord and reset the speaker connection before plugging it back in. If this does not correct the error, contact your dealer or local Sales Office or Branch Office.

Recording a video program source or making a video copy [To record or copy the video source currently monitor screen]



1 Press the desired FUNCTION button. The function for the button which was pressed is indicated on the LCD.

FUNCTION	BUTTON	LINE
Video player menu	VIDEO	
To record from a video disc player connected to the VDP-1 LINE	VDP-1	
To record from a video disc player connected to the VDP-2 jack	VDP-2	

- 2 Start playback of the desired video program source.
- 3 Start recording on the video deck.
For instructions, consult the operating instructions of the components concerned.

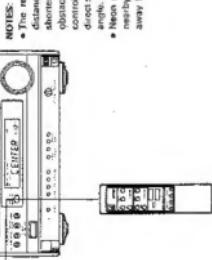
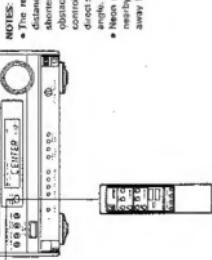
2 Start playback of the program source.
For operating instructions, consult the operating instructions for the relevant components.

10 REMOTE CONTROL UNIT

Following the procedure outlined below, insert the batteries before using the remote control unit.

■ Range of operation of the remote control unit:

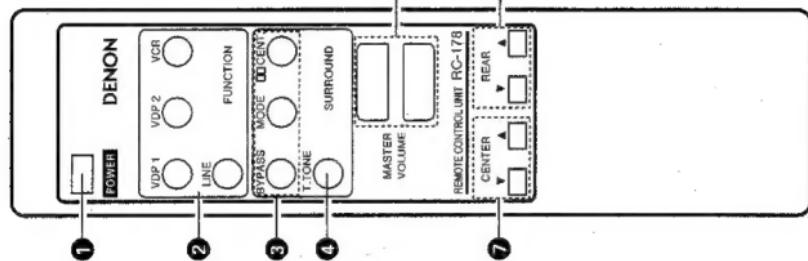
Point the remote control unit at the remote control sensor as shown on the diagram at the left.



NOTES:

- The remote control unit can be used from a straight distance of approximately 7 meters, but this distance will decrease or operations will become difficult if there are obstacles between the remote control unit and the remote control sensor. If the remote control unit and remote control sensor are located in a dark room, the remote control unit may not work correctly if other strong light, or light reflected from the remote control unit, hits the remote control sensor.
- Never point the remote control unit at the sun or other devices emitting pulsed-type intense light, as this may result in malfunction, so keep the set as far away from such devices as possible.

Button layout

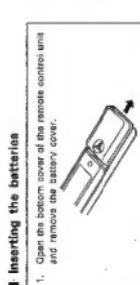


- POWER button
- HANCON button
- SURROUND button
- TEST TONE button
- SURROUND MODE button
- TEST TONE button
- The TEST button is used to emit test signals for adjusting the level of the different channels in the Dolby Pro Logic Surround mode.
- Before playing software between the speakers, then use the test tones to adjust the balance between the speakers so that the test tones of the different speakers so that they sound the same.
- In the normal and wide modes, the test tones are emitted in the following order:

 - Front left — Center — Rear — Center — Rear
 - The test tones are cancelled when this button is pressed again.

- MASTER VOLUME button
- REAR channel level button
- CENTER channel level button

■ Inserting the batteries



- Use only AA, R6P, UM-3 batteries for replacement.
- Be sure the polarities are correct. (See the illustration inside the battery compartment.)
- Remove the batteries if the remote control/transmitter will not be used for an extended period of time.
- If the remote control/transmitter does not work correctly, turn off the linked function by turning it off in contact with clothing, etc. Clean the battery compartment thoroughly before installing new batteries.

